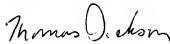


REMARKS

Claims 26-48 are pending. In response to the restriction requirement, claims 41-44 and 46-48 are cancelled. Applicant elects to prosecute claims 26-40 and 45.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thomas G. Dickson".

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